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Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on February 5, 2007, and is accompanied by a request for continued examination and a four-month extension of time, following a Notice of Appeal that was filed on August 3, 2007. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the subsequent remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.